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1. CONSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH COMMISSION OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON OCTOBER 16 CALLED ON GROC TO UNILATERALLY EXTEND TERRITORIAL WATERS TO 12 NAUTICAL MILES AND TO DECLARE A 200 NAUTICAL MILE ECONOMIC EXPLORATION ZONE. RECOMMENDATION SPECIFICALLY STATED THIS SHOULD BE DONE BY EARLY 1975, E.E. PRIOR TO RECONVENING OF LOS CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. DESPITE HIGH-SOUNDING TITLE, HOWEVER, COMMISSION HAS LITTLE PRESTIGE AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ARE IN NO WAY BINDING ON EXECUTIVE.

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2. AT ABOUT TIME CARACAS CONFERENCE CONVENED, EXECUTIVE YUAN ESTABLISHED SPECIAL STUDY COMMITTEE TO PROPOSE GROC LOS POLICY. COMMITTEE IS CHAIRED BY MOFA VICE MINISTER HSUEH YU-CHI (WHO HANDLED LOS MATTERS AT UN PRIOR TO CROC OUSTER IN 1971), AND INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM DEFENSE, COMMUNICATIONS, INTERIOR, JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC MINISTRIES. HSUEH HAS TOLD US HE EXPECTS STUDY WILL BE VERY LENGTHY ONE, PROBABLY RUNNING ANOTHER 4-6 MONTHS, AND THAT HE PERCEIVES NO URGENCY IN GROC TAKING DEFINITIVE STAND. HE HAS ALSO SAID RESULTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF INTER-AGENCY STUDY WOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH EMBASSY SINCE HE HOPES AND EXPECTS GROC LOS STAND TO PARALLEL OUR OWN. WE THEREFORE SEE LITTLE LIKELIHOOD OF GROC ACTING UNILATERALLY ON LOS MATTERS IN NEAR FUTURE. UNGER

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